# Village of Fontana-on-Geneva Lake Finance Committee Meeting Thursday, September 13th, 2007 5:00 p.m.

The Finance Committee meeting was called to order by Chairman Ron Pollitt at 5:02 p.m. in the Village Hall conference room.

Present: Feeney (Jim), Loenneke (Lou), Patek (Arlene), Pollitt (Ron), Gilchrist (Drew) and McCue (Rick).

Also Present: Treasurer Peg Pollitt, Fire Chief Jon Kemmett, Police Chief Steve Olson, Tom Westphal, Brad Buchholz and Bob Brown.

# **Approval of the August 28th, 2007 meeting minutes:**

McCue made a motion to approve the August 28, 2007 finance meeting minutes as presented, Patek seconded and the motion carried without negative vote.

#### **Budget Reviews:**

<u>Fire:</u> Chief Kemmett presented the Fire budget. There was discussion on changing drill pay from \$10 per drill to \$10 per hour. The committee requested that Kemmett come back to the next meeting with more details on fire pay.

<u>Police:</u> Chief Olson presented the Police budget. There was concern over the education expense which jumped greatly due to the fact that Officer West would like to go full-time to get his BA degree. The committee asked Chief Olson to talk to him to reconsider the amount of his projected education reimbursement in 2008. Some other line item adjustments were made.

<u>Debt:</u> Peg distributed the debt service schedule for 2008. The overall debt payments in 2008 are less than 2007. She stated that this schedule does not include the debt that we borrow in the rest of this year to finance the new fire truck.

## **Ball & Glove Review - Bob Brown:**

Bob gave a brief history of the baseball/softball program. The Village of Walworth and Township of Walworth both give \$2,000 each. Brown said that participation rates will reflect the amount needed to balance income and expenses. Feeney made a motion that the Village of Fontana contribute \$2,000 to Ball & Glove in the 2008 budget, Loenneke seconded and the motion carried without negative vote.

# 2008 fee increases recommendation:

Patek made a motion to table this item, McCue seconded and the motion carried without negative vote.

#### Water rate increase study:

Peg reported that the auditor is almost finished with the water rate study. The preliminary results of the study show a water rate increase between 15%-25% is necessary. The committee discussed increasing the water rates and possibly lowering the sewer rates to partially offset the hit. This item was tabled until the next meeting.

# **RFP's for outside services:**

The RFP for planning services was distributed. Patek made a motion to direct the Administrator to publish the RFP, McCue seconded, and the motion carried without negative vote. Loenneke made a motion to have the attorney and the engineer RFPs ready by next Tuesday's meeting, Feeney seconded, and the motion carried.

## Set next meeting date & Adjournment:

The next Finance Committee meeting was scheduled for Sept. 18th, 2007 at 4:30p.m. Loenneke made a motion to adjourn the Finance committee meeting at 7:13pm, Patek seconded and the motion carried without negative vote.

Minutes prepared by Peg Pollitt. Village Treasurer

These minutes are subject to further editing until approved by the Finance committee.